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## MR. HAMPTON ON MUNICIPAL OWNERSHIP

Editor Star: I have noticed in several of the recent issues of the Star your comments on "Municipal Ownership" and its bearing on the present campaign for mayor, and especially your request that I announce whether I am for or against it.

I have examined all the leading works on municipal corporations, as well as the Standard Dictionary, and other works wherein I thought it possible to find something that might clearly define the phrase "Municipal Ownership" but I have been unable to find any definition of it whatever. I am therefore led to believe that the phrase has no definite meaning, and therefore before undertaking to announce my views, I will ask that you define the phrase "Municipal Ownership" for me, and I will then understand what you want.

However, if you refer to "Municipal Ownership of Public Utilities," of course I would understand that, and will say that I am heartily in favor of the ownership and operation of all public utilities by the city, but I certainly would oppose "Municipal Ownership" of newspapers, grocery stores, doctors, lawyers and politicians.

Therefore I ask that you kindly define the phrase "Municipal Ownership," that I may better answer you.

Again, you assert that "Municipal Ownership" is the issue in the present campaign. Now, Mr. Benjamin, is it not a fact that you are stating the issue to be such from street talk, rather than from your own knowledge of the matter, and without giving it any serious consideration, or study whatever? So I will ask you a further question: if it is an issue, where and how does it arise?

If I understand the law correctly, the city could not dispose of either of its public utilities which are now owned and being operated by it, without amending its charter, and to do this, it would be necessary that the matter be submitted to the voters, and the majority vote would control. On the other hand it is not likewise as clear that before the city could take on some other public service that it would have to be submitted to the people to procure bonds? Would it not be necessary for the city to amend its charter before entering into some new line of business?

I do not believe it can be doubted that before anything in this line could be accomplished, an amended charter would have to be adopted, and under chapter 6940 of the laws of 1915, this would have to be submitted to the people, at least if applied for before the convening of the legislature in 1917. As there has been no movement of any kind, so far as I am advised, to amend the charter, nor to vote an issue of bonds for equipping some new service, I fail to see what bearing, directly or indirectly, the question of "Municipal Ownership" has, or could have, in the present campaign.

Again, I would like for you to advise me just what voice the mayor would have one way or the other. If the voters of the city petition the council to call an election to amend the charter, under section 5 of the law above mentioned, it would become mandatory upon the council to call the election, and the mayor could not prevent it, nor could he call one in the absence of the petition mentioned.

As I do not appreciate the so-called "issue" nor understand how it could be involved in the present campaign, and as I do not understand the meaning of the so-called "Municipal Ownership" theory, I respectfully call upon you to define the different lines of business you would have the city engage in, and tell me wherein it could possibly be involved in this campaign, at which time I will quickly advise you of my views.

Yours truly,

H. M. Hampton.

Dear Sir: I appreciate your kind and confidential communication, and will endeavor to reply.

It makes me worry to think of you delving deeply into leading works and the Standard Dictionary in search of the definition of municipal ownership. You remind me of another friend who told me, some 25 or thirty years ago, that he had seen in a book that Alpha was in Ursa Major, and he had worn out a brand new geography in looking for Ursa Major, but couldn't find it and didn't believe there was any such island.

I would try to define what "municipal ownership" means, and what it means in Ocala, to a child or any foreigner; but between you and me, any other two citizens of Ocala of ordinary intelligence, both the question and the answer are superfluous. If you really need information on the subject, you have paid mighty little attention to the affairs of your home city during the past two years.

Neither do I care to answer your inquiry as to whether I form my opinions from street talk. I might follow your example and ask you to define "street talk." Sheltered, and perhaps a little blinded, behind the walls of your law offices, dealing with books and with men who may only speak at so much per minute, men of your profession are naturally inclined to hold "street talk" as of little value. "Street talk," however, is the talk of the common people, and if they may not be heard and heeded, of what use is popular government?

Perhaps, instead of "street talk," you mean gossip. If you did, there would be no use in my answering the question. I had inferred from your conversations with myself and others responsible for the utterances of this paper that you did not think it was influenced by idle gossip. The best way for you to obtain an effectual answer to the question would be to start out, tomorrow morning, and go around the center of the city, asking the responsible business men of the town if they believe the Star forms its opinions from what you call "street talk" and I call idle chatter.

Your next question, "if it is an issue, where and how does it arise," would call for an amount of effort in answering which would be very fatiguing in view of the fact that I know you are as well or better posted on the subject as I am. If you had instead asked, "What has it caused to arise?" I could more compactly and conveniently reply, "Several things." For instance, one day last May it caused a bunch of representative citizens of Ocala to arise in great haste and hurry to Tallahassee to keep something from being put in their charter that they didn't want there.

You are vastly more competent to understand the city charter than I am, and all I have to say of your explanation of it is that I am glad it has been so framed, in spite of private opposition, that the rights and property of the people cannot be lawfully taken from them without their knowledge and consent. Still, I beg leave to remind the always forgetful people that good laws are of little use without good men to administer them, and that a council determined to misuse the people's property could find excuses and ways and means to do so. This has been proven time and time again in other cities and sometimes in our own.

I will also venture to refresh your memory regarding this charter, which you are so entirely competent to both understand and explain. The charter was drawn by the friends and supporters of "municipal ownership of public utilities." It was published in the papers of Ocala for sixty days, and eventually met with the approval of the people, as no one objected to

it except a few obviously interested for personal reasons in its defeat. It was entrusted to Marion's representatives in the legislature with the request that they have it enacted into law. It was passed, but in its passage two of the most important provisions were cut out. Nobody knows how or why they were cut out, but it is a significant fact that many laws passed by the legislature for the benefit of the people have been rendered useless by the blunder of some clerk. For some reason not hard to guess at, legislative clerks in preparing copy of bills seldom leave out any sentences or sections except those that private interests would like to have left out. The omission of these sections was discovered in time and they were restored to the charter, else it would have been robbed of its principal element to serve the people of this city.

As for the mayor's voice, he has a loud one in the city if he sees fit to use it, and, as we have seen, there are many times when he decided a public affair for good or bad.

It is hardly necessary to ask what the Star means by "municipal ownership." If it hasn't always used the full term, "municipal ownership of public utilities," it has been because the hands of both the editor and the linotype operator are always overworked, and because the people know what we mean in two words as well as in five. The Star's views on municipal ownership have been often expressed in the past few years—for the information you ask, I refer you to the files of the paper.

I believe you to be a sincere as well as widely and deeply informed man, but I know you like to have a little fun sometimes. Its my impression you have been trying to have a little fun with the Star. If you have an hour to spare tomorrow, you might go around and see which has had the most fun.

In conclusion, I will say that I have always considered you to be a man of intellect and character, and that I believe if you are elected mayor of Ocala you will strictly observe the law, and aid the city to remain within the law; and that in all affairs that you must personally decide you will be your own man and act independently of any person or faction. If you act otherwise, you will greatly alter the opinion I have formed of you in the last ten years, in which I have seen you rise from a lawyer's clerk to one of the leading attorneys of the city. The Editor.

## JOHN T. LEWIS FOR SHERIFF

Mr. John T. Lewis of Oklawaha was in town today and paid the Star a pleasant call. Mr. Lewis informs the Star that he is going in the race for the sheriff's office next fall. Mr. Lewis is one of Marion's best citizens, and is mighty well liked all over the county. He will make the other candidates sit up and take notice.

## LYCEUM SCHEDULE

The Redpath Lyceum Bureau writes to Secretary Rooney that it will have Speaker Champ Clark here Wednesday, Nov. 24, if it is possible for it to do so. It gives the following other Lyceum dates:

The Gray Company, Nov. 10.  
Miss MacLaren, Jan. 26.  
The Savranoffs, Feb. 17.  
The McCords, March 1.  
Geo. E. Colby, March 9.  
Wallace B. Amsbury, March 15.

## HAMPTON-MITCHELL

Two of our colored practitioners, looked up to by their own people and esteemed by the white folks, have joined their fortunes as will be seen by the following notice handed in this morning:

Dr. E. Carrie Mitchell and Dr. L. R. Hampton were quietly married last evening at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Mitchell, on South Third street. They left on the Seaboard express to visit Nashville, Tenn., Tuskegee, Ala., and New Orleans, La. Dr. Mitchell is the only woman physician and surgeon of her race in the state. Dr. Hampton is a young, prosperous dentist and the couple enter into married life with the best wishes of friends.

## A. C. L. SCHEDULE

Trains of the Atlantic Coast Line will arrive and depart in Ocala at the following times:

No. 37, Jacksonville to St. Petersburg, 2:18-2:25 a. m.  
No. 38, St. Petersburg to Jacksonville, 2:25 a. m.  
No. 10, Leesburg to Jacksonville, 5:40 a. m.  
No. 151, Ocala to Wilcox, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 6:10 a. m.  
No. 35, Ocala to Lakeland (Sunny-jim), Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 6:40 a. m.  
No. 141, Wilcox, Gainesville and Palatka to Ocala, 11:15 a. m.  
No. 40, St. Petersburg to Jacksonville, 12:54-1:14 p. m.  
No. 48, Homosassa to Ocala, 1:05 p. m.  
No. 49, Ocala to Homosassa, 2:25 p. m.  
No. 39, Jacksonville to St. Petersburg, 2:36-2:40 p. m.  
No. 140, Ocala to Palatka, Gainesville and Wilcox, 4:10 p. m.  
No. 150, Wilcox to Ocala, Monday, Wednesday and Friday, 5:45 p. m.  
No. 9, Jacksonville to Leesburg, 9:05 p. m.  
No. 32, Lakeland to Ocala (Sunny-jim), Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday, 9:50 p. m.

## OPENING THE REST ROOM

Woman's Club, Ocala, Florida.  
Editor Star: You are cordially invited to inspect the Municipal Rest Room of Ocala, Wednesday, November 10th, 1915, corner Fort King Ave., and South Magnolia St.  
Mrs. Chas. W. Hunter, Chairman Civic Committee.  
3:30 to 5 P. M.

Of all Ocala's enterprises, this is one of the best and the most likely to join city and county in ties of lasting appreciation. The Star is doubly glad to realize that its permanent establishment is completed.

## TEN-IN-ONE SIDE SHOW

The big Ten-In-One Side Shows, where the congress of high class attractions will be exhibited under the one big tent at the Marion County Fair, featuring the largest and smallest people on earth, Jolly Alma, the fat girl, weighing over 700 pounds, Princess Zada, weighing less than 30 pounds and the Midget Hercules, who lifts 20 times his weight; Ali Zaza, the man of mystery, man eating lion, Ranger Bell, the monster eagle, man killing devil fish, Bohemian glass blowers, Australian bushmen and boomerang throwers, and many other curious people. A real high school of instruction. Whitney Austin is the very able manager of this show. You'll miss half your life if you do not see these shows and they are only part of the Johnny Jones great exposition shows which will appear at the fair.

## BUSTED

St. Petersburg Times: There's no doubt that Mendenhall is bankrupt. Yes, bankrupt, indeed.

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Gainesville, Fla.—"In all my experience with all kinds of medicines I never found any equal to Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery and Favorite Prescription. I believe that I was suffering from all the troubles that a woman is heir to. Some nights I would sleep all right and other nights my rest was very much broken. I was tired all of the time, very low in spirits, and my family work a burden. With these afflictions I was also troubled with indigestion, and consequently had to be careful as to my eating. I often had pains after meals and my bowels were quite irregular. The medicines above stated were the means of restoring my health and I feel that a new lease of life was given me. For constipation I had to take but one dose of the 'Pleasant Pellets' as the other remedies corrected my bowel difficulty. Those to whom I have recommended the use of Dr. Pierce's medicines have been benefited also."—Mrs. NANNIE W. SHUTT, 209 W. Arlington St., Gainesville, Fla.

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## Bits of Byplay

By Luke McLuke

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Wuff!  
A musician asked for a vacation. And the leader was heard to say: "Pray what need have you for recreation? Why, all that you do, sir, is play."  
—Cincinnati Enquirer.

The elevator runner asked a raise. That he might better dine and sup. But the boss looked at him in amazement. "Why, aren't you always going up?"  
—Memphis Commercial Appeal.

Ouch!  
"Why do you refer to the hood as a human parrot?" asked the old fogey. "Because he talks all the time without knowing what he is talking about," replied the grouch.

A Benefactor.  
Save all your praise For Enoch Pratt, Who seeks to raise The voiceless cat.

Paw Knows Everything.  
Willie—Paw, what is a crank? Paw—A crank is a man who imagines that he is the whole machine, my son.

Ho, Hum!  
While you may make one pretty miss. You can't dodge all her sisters; And then you'll exchange single bliss For matrimonial blisters.

But Suppose He Don't Answer?  
If any fish is caught that is under six inches and answers to the name of bass, catfish, pike, crappie or trout he must be thrown back at once.—Game Laws of the State of Iowa.

Sad.  
With vague fears he is harried, I speak of Mr. Bean, For this poor dub is married, And he talks in his sleep.

Oh, Very Well!  
Communications complaining of the condition of sewers, groceries and other places of business are being received by members of the board of health in this city.—Bellevue (Ky.) Item in Cincinnati Contemporary.

He's Another!  
Dear Luke—Do you know that Dan D. Carr of Parkersburg, W. Va., drives a cheap machine?—Parkersburg.

Is That So!  
Dear Luke.—On Saturday you had the Beer club last in your Rheumatism league, with a record of no games won and thirty-five games lost. And you had the Water club first with a record of thirty-five won and no losers. I suppose the season lasts until October, and I represent a syndicate that desires to bet \$10,000,000 to a time that the Beer club wins the pennant in your league. Are you on?—X. Y. Z.

Mercy!  
Dear Luke—I. Demmit runs a dry goods store in Tulsa, Okla.—P. P. Scott, Cushing, Okla.

Traveling Via Air Line.  
Joseph Rather, a farmer residing near Unity, was brought to St. Joseph's hospital the first of the week by the explosion of a dynamite cap.—Marshfield (Wis.) Herald.

Things to Worry About.  
There were 25,000,000 Indians in America when Columbus landed here.

Names Is Names.  
O. L. See lives at Parkersburg, W. Va.

Our Daily Special.  
Love's young dream never dies of old age.

Luke McLuke Says:  
If a sweet disposition helped any when you are driving a mule more married women would have sweet dispositions.

It must be pretty hard for an undertaker to visit a sick friend and not talk shop.

The old fashioned man who used to brag about having a clear conscience now has a son who brags about having a good lawyer.

Ever notice that when a man pays you back the five spot he borrowed from you he always acts as though he was doing you a great favor?

Even if you don't own an auto you should keep your muffler closed.

Every now and then you will run into a lad who will buttonhole you for a half hour to tell you that he is a man of few words.

A woman can come home in a taxi and nothing is thought of it, but if her husband comes home in a taxi the neighbors all know that he is pickled.

The old fashioned woman who raised four daughters and kept them looking cool and sweet because she always had a 10 cent box of cornstarch on the bedroom dresser now has a daughter who is raising four daughters, each of whom has to have her pet brand of talcum powder and face powder.

There isn't a whole lot of difference between seeking a position and dodging work.

When they are counting they spend all their time throwing the ball, but after they get married they spend all their time throwing the hammer.

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